Stovetop Chicken Parmesan

with Spaghetti & Kale

TIME: 30-40 minutes SERVINGS: 4

In this quicker take on classic chicken parmesan, you'll cook chicken with tomato sauce and fresh mozzarella in a foil-covered pan on the stove.





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Ingredients



4 BONELESS, SKINLESS CHICKEN BREASTS



1 15-oz can CRUSHED TOMATOES



1 lb SPAGHETTI



2 cloves



1/2 lb FRESH MOZZARELLA CHEESE



1 bunch KALE



1/4 cup GRATED PARMESAN CHEESE



1 SHALLOT



1 Tbsp ITALIAN SEASONING*



1/4 tsp CRUSHED RED PEPPER FLAKES

^{*} Whole Dried Basil, Sage, Oregano, Savory, Rosemary, Thyme, & Marjoram

















1 Prepare the ingredients:

- ☐ Heat a large pot of salted water to boiling on high.
- ☐ Wash and dry the fresh produce.
- Peel and thinly slice the **shallot**. Peel and roughly chop the **garlic**.
- ☐ Remove and discard the stems of the **kale**; finely chop the leaves.
- ☐ Tear the mozzarella cheese into small pieces.

2 Cook the kale:

- ☐ In a large pan (nonstick, if you have one), heat a drizzle of olive oil on medium-high until hot. Add half the sliced shallot and half the chopped garlic; season with salt and pepper. Cook, stirring frequently, 1 to 2 minutes, or until softened and fragrant.
- ☐ Add the **chopped kale** and ½ **cup of water** (carefully, as the liquid may splatter); season with salt and pepper. Cook, stirring occasionally, 4 to 5 minutes, or until the kale is wilted and the water has cooked off.
- ☐ Transfer to a bowl and cover with aluminum foil to keep warm. Wipe out the pan.

3 Cook the spaghetti:

- ☐ Add the **spaghetti** to the pot of boiling water and cook 8 to 10 minutes, or until al dente (still slightly firm to the bite). Turn off the heat.
- Reserving 1/2 cup of the pasta cooking water, drain thoroughly and return to the pot.

4 Brown the chicken:

- While the spaghetti cooks, pat the **chicken** dry with paper towels; season with salt and pepper on both sides.
- ☐ In the same pan, heat a drizzle of olive oil on medium-high until hot. Add the seasoned chicken and cook 5 to 7 minutes on the first side, or until browned. Flip the chicken.

5 Make the sauce & finish the chicken:

- ☐ Add the remaining sliced shallot and remaining chopped garlic to the pan; season with salt and pepper. (If the pan seems dry, add a drizzle of olive oil.) Cook, stirring frequently, 30 seconds to 1 minute, or until slightly softened.
- Add the Italian seasoning, tomatoes, and as much of the red pepper flakes as you'd like, depending on how spicy you'd like the dish to be; season with salt and pepper. Cook, occasionally spooning the sauce over the chicken, 3 to 4 minutes, or until slightly thickened.
- ☐ Evenly top the chicken with the **mozzarella cheese**. Loosely cover the pan with aluminum foil and cook 2 to 3 minutes, or until the cheese is melted and the chicken is cooked through. Turn off the heat.

6 Finish the spaghetti & serve your dish:

- ☐ To the pot of **cooked spaghetti**, add the **cooked kale**, **butter**, and **half the reserved pasta cooking water**; season with salt and pepper. Cook on medium-high, stirring vigorously, 1 to 2 minutes, or until the spaghetti is coated. (If the spaghetti seems dry, gradually add the remaining cooking water to achieve your desired consistency.) Season with salt and pepper to taste.
- Serve the finished spaghetti with the **finished chicken and sauce**. Garnish with the **parmesan cheese**. Enjoy!